armed not at the Isle ot Wight \\ithm nineteen dajs after tne
Council had given order for them to be sent,

ist December THE E\RL OF ESSEX DEFAMED

It is noted of many that since his safe return the Earl of Essex, that was beforetimes given to carnal dalliance, hath sithence changed his former wajs But ot late there are bruits that he inf ameth a nobleman's wife, and one near to her Majesty, whereat his friends marvel at a course so dishonourable and dangerous to himself Being taxed therewith the Earl pro-
testeth that the charge is lake ^nd unjust

Stb December A DREADFUL SUDDEN TEMPEST AT WELLS

At Wells last Sunday Dr Rogers, being newly made priest by the Bishop of Wells, preached his first sermon in the Cathedral Church there before a very goodly auditory In his sermon, according to a text which he had chosen, and having made no prayer, he began to discourse of spirits and their properties, and within a while alter there entered in at the west window of the church a dark and unproportionable thing of the bigness of a football, and went along the wall on the pulpit side, and sadden!} it seemed to break but with no less sound and terror than if an hundred cannons had been discharged at once , and therewithal came a most violent storm and tempest of lightning and thunder as if the church had been full of fire

In this strange tempest all the people were sore amazed, many of them being stricken down to the ground, and the preacher himself being struck down in his pulpit Many in the body of the church were marked m their garments, arms and bodies with the figures of stars and crosses, but there was no manner of mark upon any that was in the choir This tempest brought with it a most terrible stench, and suddenly as it ceased,

it brake down some stone work, melted the wires and irons of the clock but burned no timber The storm being ended and the people beginning to come to themselves, the Bishop, being in the choir, spake cheerfully to them, inviting them to a sermon there in the afternoon, wherewith he recomforted them all

loth December THE SCOTHSH PRINCESS BAPTISED

On Sunday, 28th November, the infant daughter of the Scottish King was baptised at Holyrood House, being earned